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Ken Dodd's DIDDYMEN

HUNDREDS OF YEARS AGO, HAMISH'S HAIRY HANCESTORS HAD TO FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL AGAINST THE RED-COATS OF DUKE DICKY, THE ROYAL MINT...
SQUAD FALL IN!
THIS DRILL PRACTICE IS GETTING ME DOWN! LOOK YOU!
EYE TEST
IF YOU CAN READ THIS YOU'RE IN
FIXING BAYONETS
THEY CALL ME MAD MANGLING MINT! I CAN'T THINK WHY BECAUSE THIS IS MY FIRST DAY IN UNIFORM AND BEFORE THIS I WORKED IN A SWEET SHOP!
WHICH ONE OF YOU HAS BEEN SCRUMPING APPLES FROM MADAM MINT'S GARDEN?
THIS COAT OF RED PAINT WILL MAKE YOU RED COATS! BEDAD!
SEEING RED
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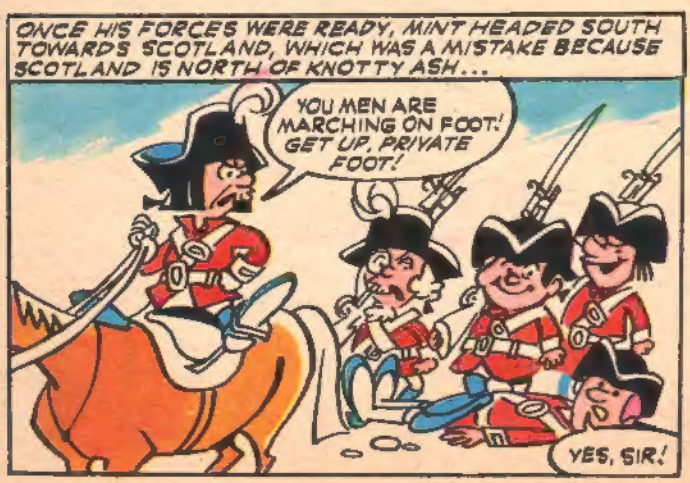

ONCE HIS FORCES WERE READY, MINT HEADED SOUTH TOWARDS SCOTLAND, WHICH WAS A MISTAKE BECAUSE SCOTLAND IS NORTH OF KNOTTY ASH...
YOU MEN ARE MARCHING ON FOOT! GET UP, PRIVATE FOOT!
YES, SIR!

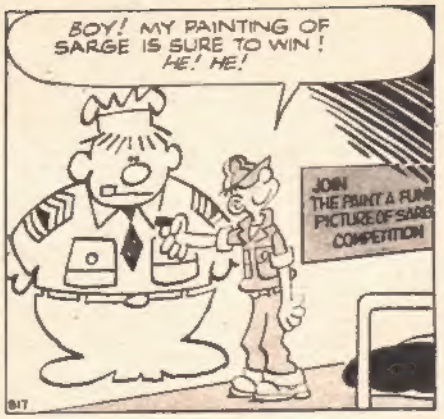
WHEN WE REACH SCOTLAND WE'LL DEFEAT HAIRY HAMISH AND HIS SCOTS!
SCOTLAND
IF THIS WASN'T THE 16TH CENTURY, I'D SAY WE WERE ON A MOTORWAY!

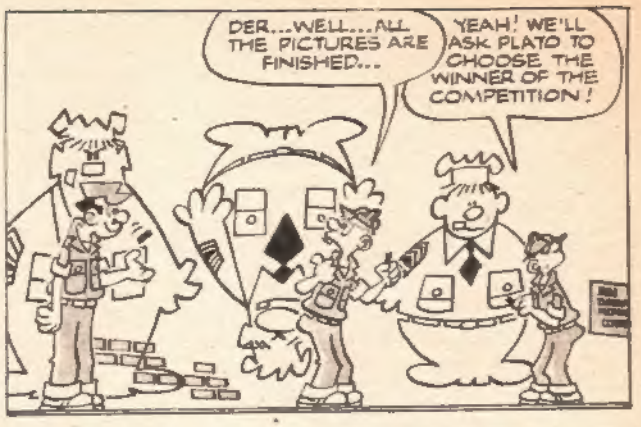
If laughing hasn't worn you out, heave over to page two!

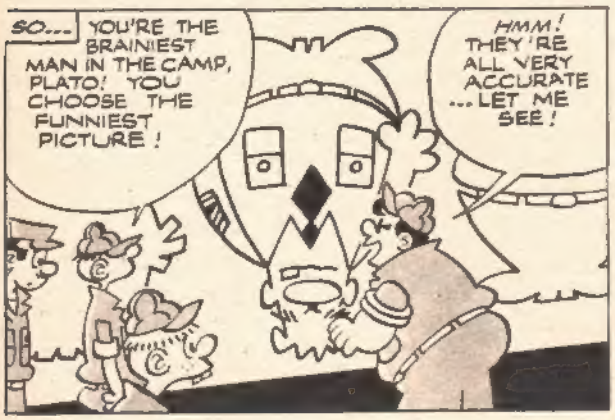
MEANWHILE, IN THE HILLS OF SCOTLAND...
THE NEWS IS GRAVE, LADS! MINT'S RED COATS ARE COMING TO GET US AND WE ARE OUTNUMBERED THREE TO ONE!
WHAT WE NEED IS A SECRET WEAPON TO SCARE THEM OFF WITH!
I KNOW! I'VE THOUGHT OF A SECRET WEAPON WHICH WILL BEAT MINT'S MEN!
WHAT IS IT? WHAT IS IT?
I CAN'T TELL YOU! IT'S A SECRET WEAPON!
SO, LATER...
IS THAT THE ENEMY COMING TOWARDS US?
YES! THEY'RE HEAVY SMOKERS!
CHARGE! DON'T SHOOT UNTIL YOU SEE THE WHITES OF THEIR EYES!
BEGORRAH! I HOPE THEIR EYES AREN'T BLOOD-SHOT!
THIS IS THE SECRET WEAPON! WHISPER WHISPER! WHISPER!
THAT'S A McMARVELLOUS IDEA!
LIFT UP YER KILTS! OUR KNOBBLY KNEES ARE OUR SECRET WEAPON!
RETREAT! RETREAT!
NAAARGH! ANYTHING BUT THAT... WE CAN'T FIGHT KNOBBLY KNEES! WE'RE ONLY FLESH AND BLOOD!
WE'VE McMARMALISED 'EM! OUR SECRET WEAPONS WON THE DAY!
NO MORE OF THOSE KNASTY KNEES!
FOUR HUNDRED YEARS LATER, IN 1967...
...AND THAT TALE EXPLAINS WHY TODAY SCOTSMEN DON'T WEAR MINI-SKIRTS... THEIR KNEES ARE DEADLY!

Knotty Ash expects that everyone will read next week's story about Nelson!

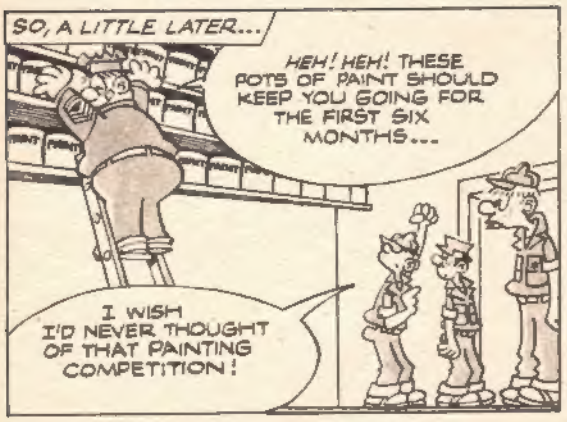
BEETLE BAILEY

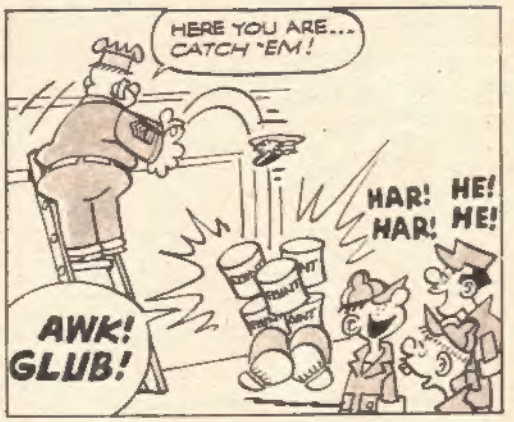


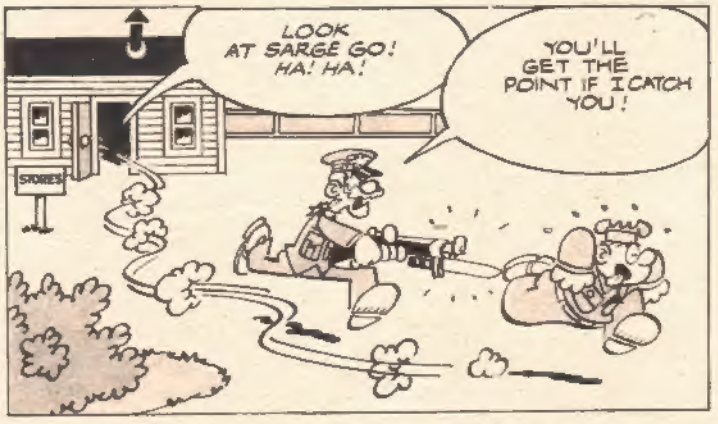


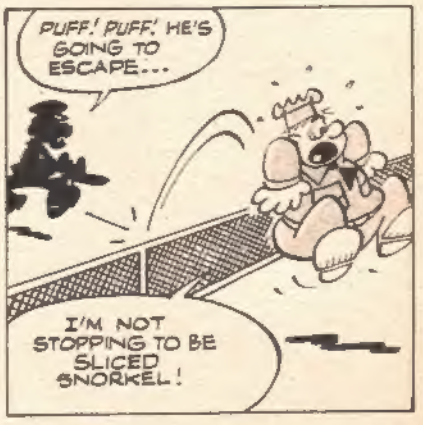


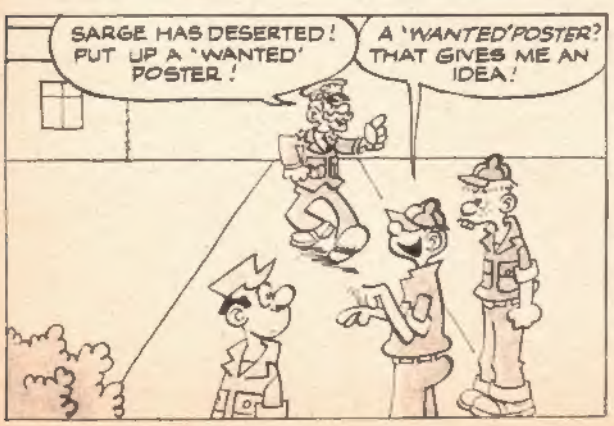
GRR! INSULTING MOB!.. IT'D BE A SHAME TO WASTE YOUR PAINTING TALENTS... FOR THIS I'LL MAKE YOU PAINT EVERY HUT ON THE CAMP!
OH, NO! THAT'LL TAKE US ALL TEN YEARS!


SO, A LITTLE LATER...
HEH! HEH! THESE POTS OF PAINT SHOULD KEEP YOU GOING FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS...
I WISH I'D NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT PAINTING COMPETITION!









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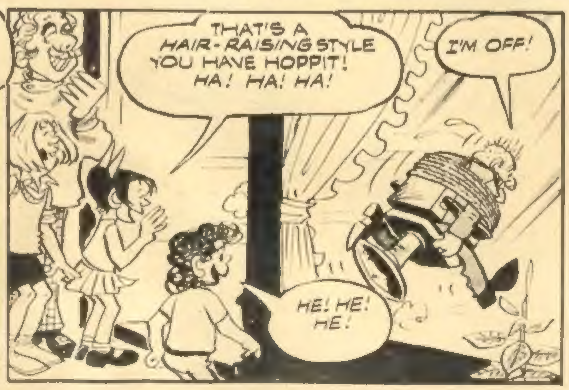
Next week Sarge gets hot under the collar on account of a heat-wave!

TV TERRORS

Curly Wurly
HAIR STYLIST
WOW! CURLY WURLY DOES THE HAIRSTYLES FOR ALL THE TV STARS!
I KNOW! LET'S ASK CURLY FOR A JOB AS HIS ASSISTANTS...THAT WAY WE'LL BE ABLE TO ASK ALL THE STARS FOR THEIR AUTOGRAPHS!
GREAT IDEA!

OF COURSE YOU WILL ALL HAVE TO LET ME CHANGE YOUR HAIRSTYLES BEFORE I CAN PERMIT YOU TO WORK IN MY BEAUTIFUL SHOP!..
WE'D BE HONOURED!



Next week the Terrors have a bright idea with a searchlight!

MIGHTY MOTH
IT'S VERY QUIET TODAY — I WONDER WHERE DAD HAS GOT TO?
SURPRISE - SURPRISE!
WHACK!
HAR! HAR! HAR! I'VE THOUGHT OF A NEW WAY TO CATCH THAT MOTH! SURPRISE HIM!
DAZE
AH! THE DUSTMAN'S JUST EMPTIED OUR BIN — I'LL HIDE IN THERE!
SO THAT'S HIS TRICK, EH? I'LL SOON FIX HIM!
YOU'LL NEVER USE THIS OLD IRON AGAIN, MA. WHY DON'T YOU THROW IT IN THE DUSTBIN?
A GOOD IDEA, MIGHTY MOTH!
CLONK!
TEE-HEE! POOR OLD DAD IS OUT COLD!
NOW FOR PART TWO OF MY MASTER PLAN!
HEY, MISTER DUSTMAN— YOU FORGOT TO EMPTY OUR BIN!
REFUSE WAGON
LATER...
THE WAGON'S FULL. LET'S TAKE IT TO THE DUMP!
REFUSE WAGON
EH? W...WHERE AM I?
SURPRISE, SURPRISE, DAD YOU'RE IN THE COUNCIL RUBBISH DUMP! HO! HO! HO!

More mighty mirth with Mighty Moth next week!

ADAM ADAMANT

Adam is pursuing a crazy toymaker who thinks that toys with atom bombs inside them can bring peace to the world. Adam is determined to stop him . . .

BUT THE TOYMAKER REFUSES TO STOP. HE TURNS A CORNER AND IS OUT OF SIGHT OF ADAM...
I AM HOME! AND THAT MAN WILL NOT FIND ME!
WHERE IS HE? HE HAS DISAPPEARED! BUT...THOSE CRAZY TOYS MAY GIVE ME A LEAD...

IN THE GARDEN BEYOND THE GATES...
AH! ANOTHER OF THOSE MONSTROUS TOYS! IT WILL COLLAPSE WHEN I PUNCTURE IT, LIKE THAT GIANT SNAKE...
BUT ADAM IS MISTAKEN. THE ELEPHANT IS FITTED WITH AN EXPLOSIVE CHARGE...
AAAAGH!
Pat Williams

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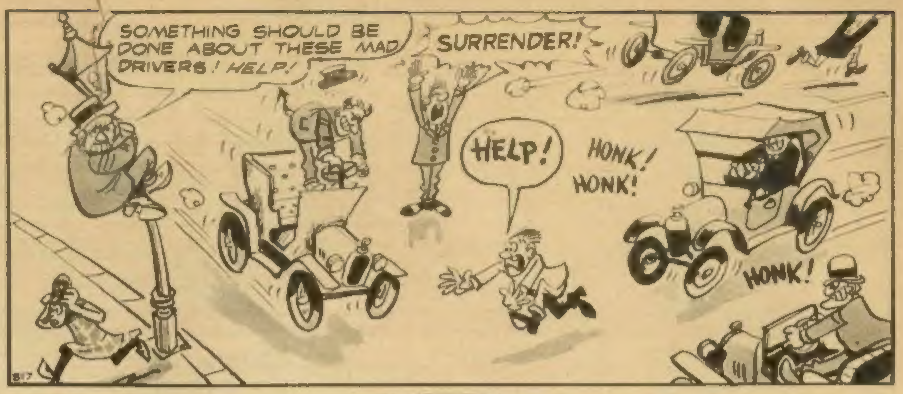
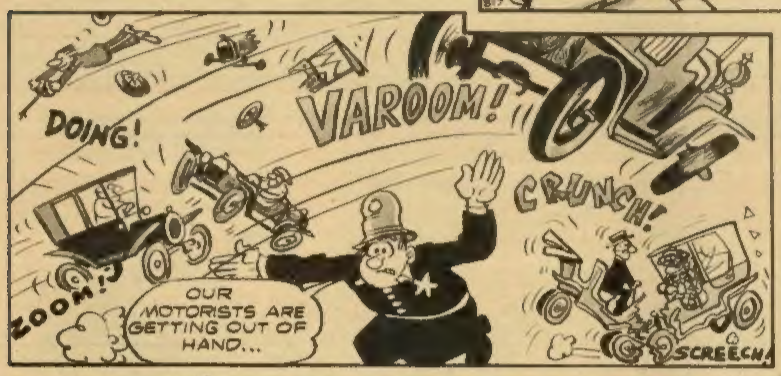
What has happened to Adam? Don't miss next week's episode!

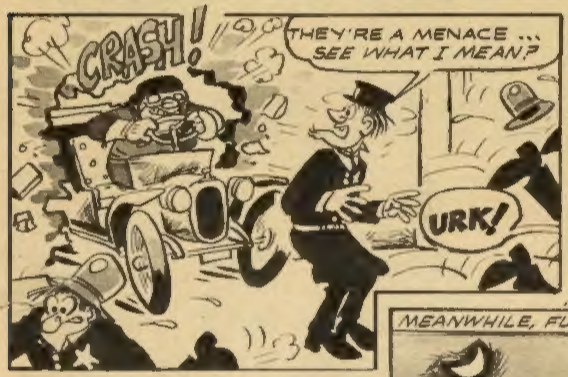
Bob Monkhouse's MAD MOVIES

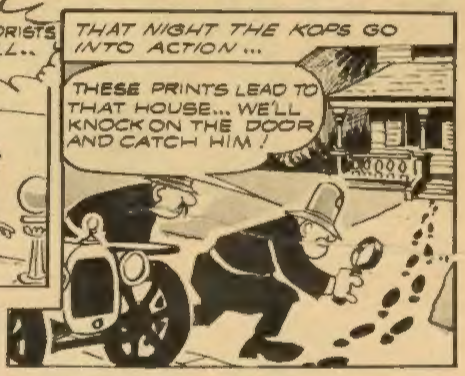
featuring

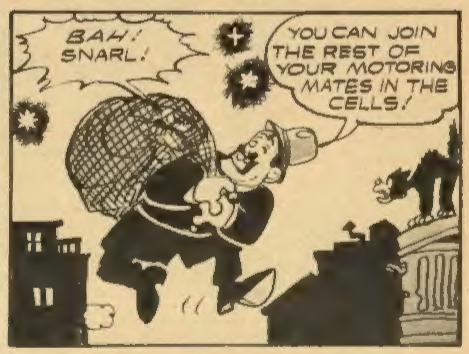
The Keystone Kops











BACK AT THE STATION...
ALL THE TOWN'S DANGEROUS DRIVERS ARE UNDER LOCK AND KEY! I THINK WE'LL DRIVE TO THE SEASIDE FOR THE DAY...
THAT'S A GREAT IDEA! I'LL GET THE WAGON OUT!

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The Krazy Kops will kause you to kackle knext week!

ORLANDO

An urgent phone call takes Orlando and Steve from their base to the office of Detective Inspector Black at Scotland Yard.

THERE'VE BEEN FOUR BIG HAULS NEAR THE SOUTH COAST, ORLANDO!... EVERY ROBBERY WAS CARRIED OUT LIKE A MILITARY OPERATION!
WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?...
WE'LL DO WHAT WE CAN AND STAY IN TOUCH, INSPECTOR!
...YOU KNOW A FEW PEOPLE IN THE UNDERWORLD! KEEP YOUR EARS OPEN... MAYBE YOU'LL HEAR SOMETHING ABOUT A MILITARY STYLE CRIME BOSS WHO TEACHES HIS MEN UNARMED COMBAT.

A FEW NIGHTS LATER...
THIS IS THE UMPTEENTH CLUB WE'VE TRIED ON THE SOUTH COAST... BUT I'M CONVINCED THAT AS THE ROBBERIES WERE DONE NEAR THE SEA, THE CROOKS ARE OPERATING FROM A SHIP!

WE'VE HAD OUR FUN, LET'S BREAK OUT OF HERE!
MY NAME'S JIM THORPE AND THAT'S MY BOAT! COME ABOARD!
MY FRIEND AND I ARE WITH YOU! NO SENSE HURTING ANY OF THESE FRIENDLY SAILORS!

I'D BET ANYTHING THE MAN WHO TRAINED THORPE TO FIGHT LIKE TEN MEN IS THE BRAINS BEHIND THESE MILITARY-STYLED ROBBERIES!... I HOPE STEVE AND I LIVE LONG ENOUGH TO INFORM THE POLICE!

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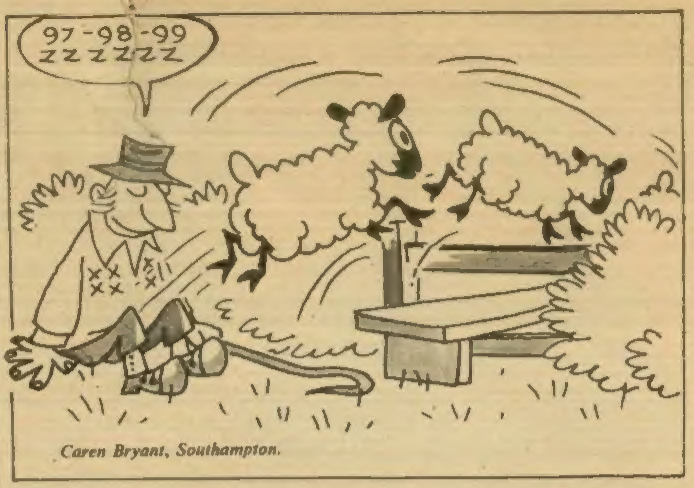
What dangers lurk aboard the sinister ship! See next week!

PICK OF THE JOKES

Win a £1. Readers of TV COMIC are invited to send in original jokes. Send your joke on a postcard stating your age, name and address to: The Editor, TV COMIC, TV Publications Ltd., 37/39 High Holborn, London, W.C.1.



Caren Bryant, Southampton.

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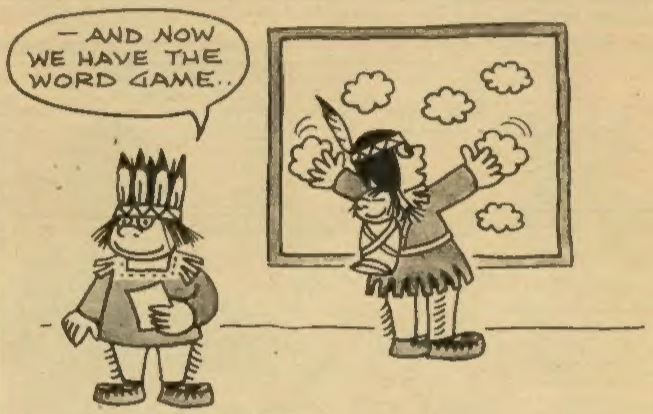
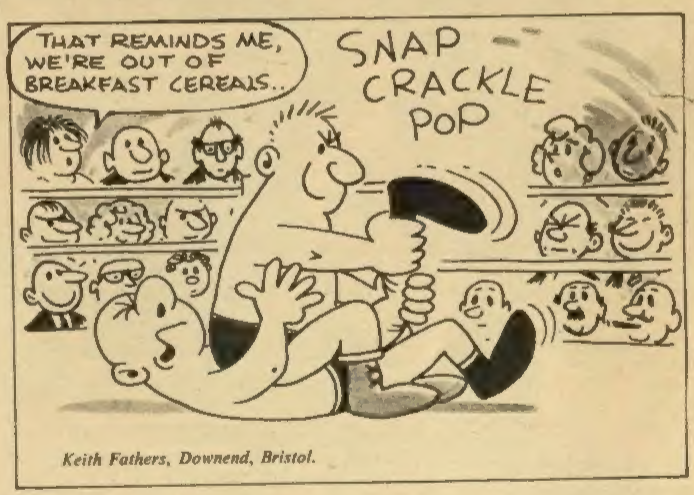
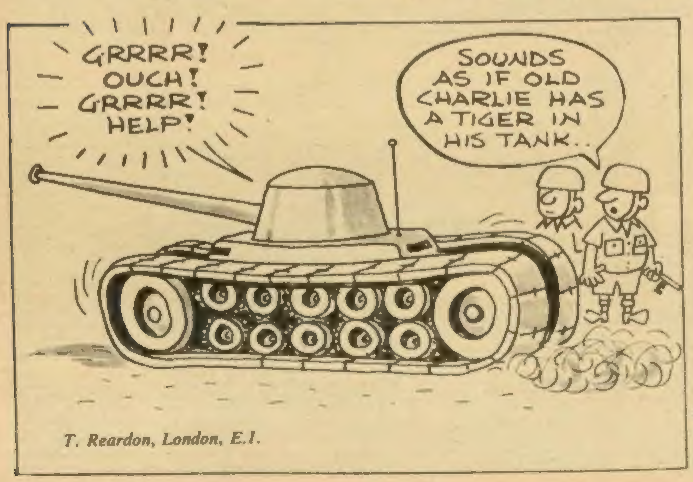


Allan Tait, Cheadle, Cheshire.

Clifford Salter, Tiverton, Devon.

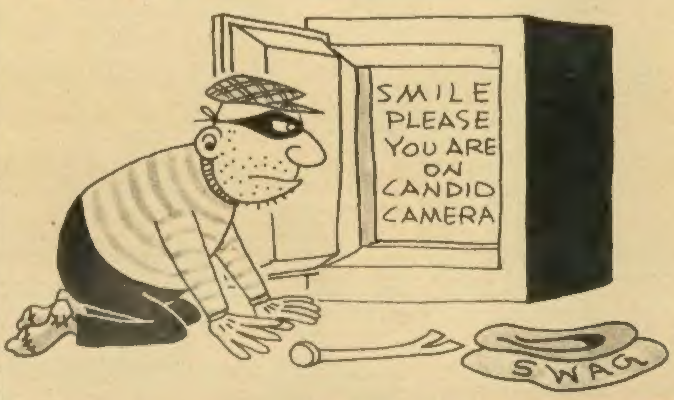


Keith Fathers, Downend, Bristol.

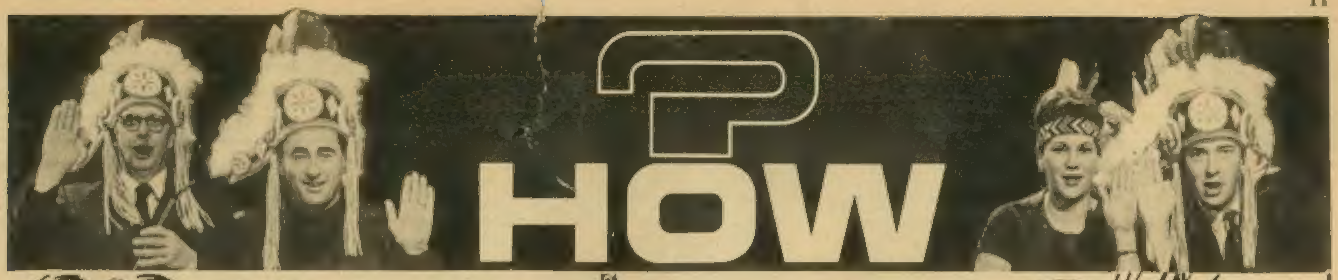


T. Reardon, London, E.1.

Anthony Bond, Fife, Scotland.



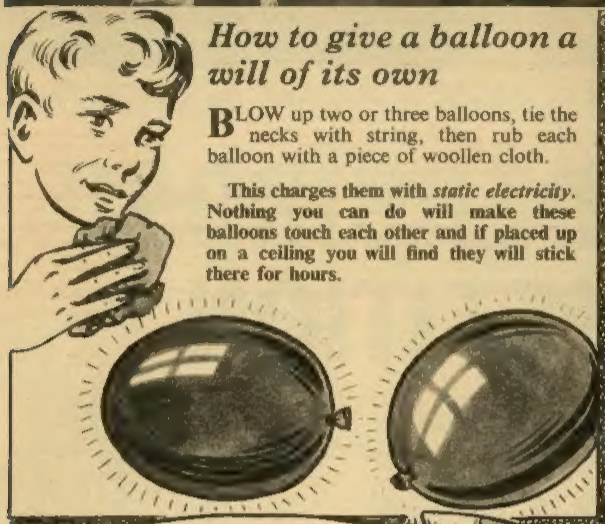
Place a regular order for TV Comic, pals!



How to give a balloon a will of its own

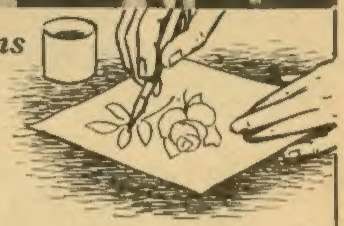
BLOW up two or three balloons, tie the necks with string, then rub each balloon with a piece of woollen cloth.

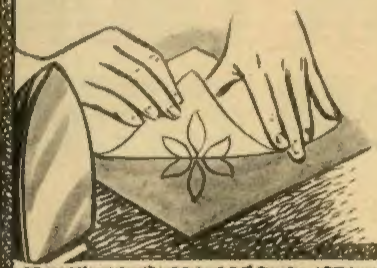
This charges them with *static electricity*. Nothing you can do will make these balloons touch each other and if placed up on a ceiling you will find they will stick there for hours.



How to transfer designs

MIX together equal amounts of powdered washing blue and sugar. Add just enough warm water to make a thick cream. Have the design ready that you want to transfer.



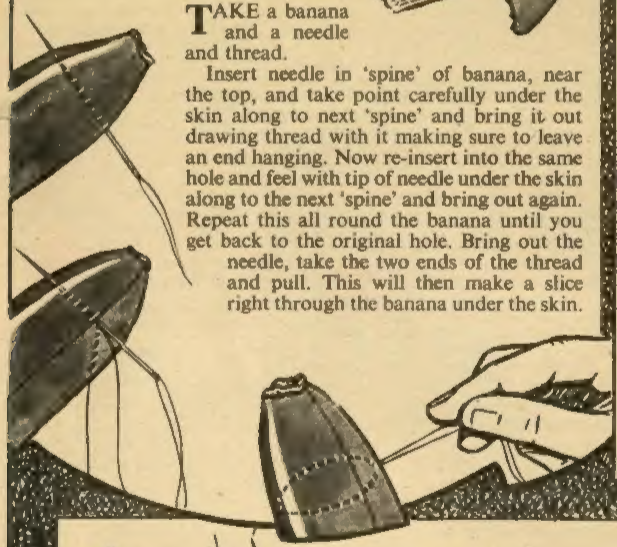


Trace it onto a piece of thin paper and outline it with the mixture. When dry, transfer onto the wrong side of your material with a warm iron.

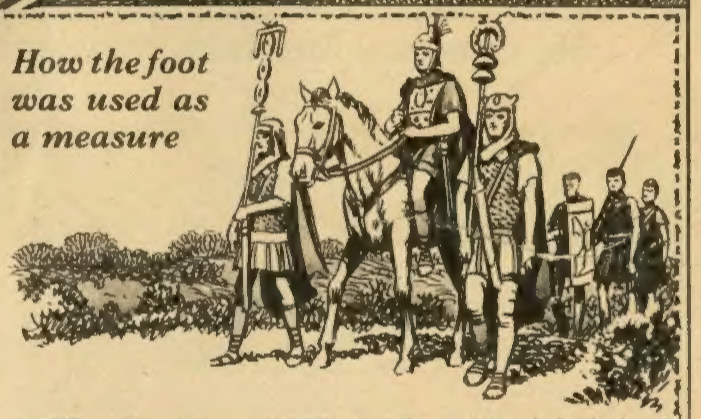
How to slice a banana without unpeeling it

TAKE a banana and a needle and thread.

Insert needle in 'spine' of banana, near the top, and take point carefully under the skin along to next 'spine' and bring it out drawing thread with it making sure to leave an end hanging. Now re-insert into the same hole and feel with tip of needle under the skin along to the next 'spine' and bring out again. Repeat this all round the banana until you get back to the original hole. Bring out the needle, take the two ends of the thread and pull. This will then make a slice right through the banana under the skin.



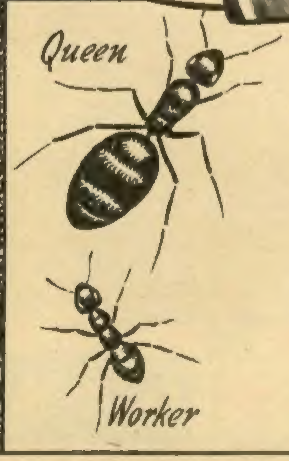
How the foot was used as a measure



THE earliest measurements all came from parts of the body. Cavemen were probably the first to measure distances in feet—using their own feet to measure them.

The Romans counted distances by a soldier's paces, or double steps, totalling about 5 ft. By keeping records of the number of paces from one military outpost to another, they knew how long it would take to march there.

The mile comes from the Latin word *mille*, meaning thousand, and the Roman mile was equal to 1,000 paces.



How to make an ant colony

FIND a very large glass jar and fill it three-quarters full with moist earth. Cover the jar with thick, dark paper making sure it can slide up and down for viewing purposes.

Look for an ants' nest and dig it out taking care not to injure any grubs or cocoons. Tip it out very carefully into your jar and cover the top with paper and an elastic band. Make tiny holes in the paper for air.

Leave the jar strictly alone for a while. The ants will soon start to build themselves a new home and once they have done this you can put some food in from time to time—grains of sugar, tiny pieces of cooked meat, crumbs, or dead flies.

You will soon be able to watch them scurrying purposefully about their business in their nest and find it a fascinating pastime.

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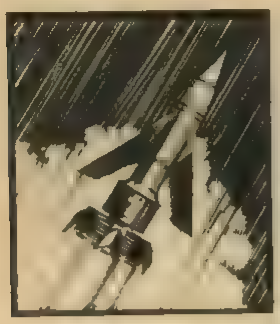
More interest and fascination on the HOW page next week!



Thunderbird 1 Low-flying craft designed to get to trouble zones as quickly as possible—speed 15,000 miles per hour

Thunderbird 2 Heavy rescue vehicle of enormous proportions Speed 5,000 miles per hour

Thunderbird 3 Space rocket for high altitude rescue work.

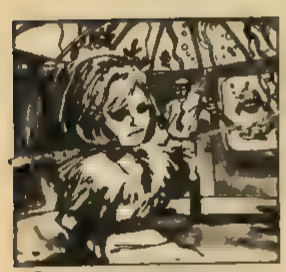
Thunderbird 4 Ocean-going craft. Can travel and operate at speed underwater

Thunderbird 5 Stationary space monitor—the eye of INTERNATIONAL RESCUE

'ACTION THUNDERBIRDS!' ZOOM COMPETITION

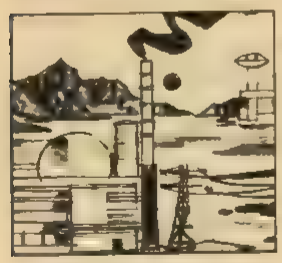
10 First Prizes of £100 of toys you can choose yourself
20 Second Prizes of super tape-recorders
500 cameras as Consolation Prizes – a Prize for Mum too!

FREE GAME! Full colour Action Thunderbirds game for every completed entry form

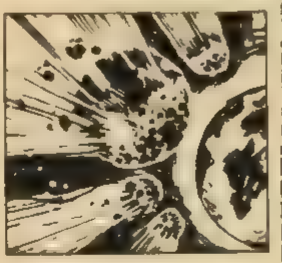


A Action Thunderbirds! Lady Penelope kidnapped—held to ransom by London gang Trail leads to hide-out under North Sea—rescue

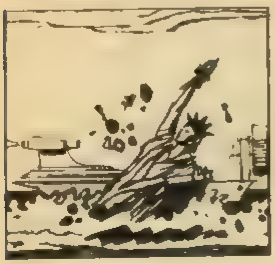
B Action Thunderbirds! Chemical plant built on marshy ground sinking. Massive tanks of phosphorus will explode when damp. Move them to dry ground



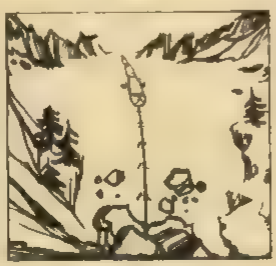
C Action Thunderbirds! Floods cut off capital of Unoland. Floodwater carries deadly poison—by-product of nearby power station. Render poison harmless—then take in supplies



D Action Thunderbirds! Meteors heading towards Earth at 75,000 miles per hour. Large enough to crush cities—destroy



E Action Thunderbirds! Statue of Liberty topples onto ocean liner. Rescue passengers and crew



F Action Thunderbirds! Trans-Europe railway line damaged and blocked by avalanche Clear line before approaching jet-train crashes.

Command the Thunderbirds—and win fabulous prizes! It's 'Action Thunderbirds!'—and *you* are in control! This great ZOOM competition brings you all the drama and excitement of the famous Thunderbirds TV series—*plus* 530 chances of winning a prize. Win a First Prize and choose—from a wonderful list including Go-Karts, bicycles and radios—£100-worth of toys! Or you could win a super tape-recorder or camera! If you win a First Prize, your mum automatically wins a selection of £20-worth of home appliances of her choice! And everyone who completes one whole entry form receives a fabulous full-colour 'Action Thunderbirds!' game—free! So enter NOW!

How to enter Imagine you are in charge in the control room of International Rescue. You get an emergency distress call. (See picture A.) It is your job to decide which of the 5 Thunderbirds illustrated above can best deal with this emergency. Study the Thunderbird descriptions and put the number of the Thunderbird you choose in the 1st Emergency Square in the column marked 1st Try. After your Thunderbird has returned you get the 2nd Emergency call, 'B' in the pictures (left). Again you must choose the most suitable Thunderbird to deal with this—and so on until you have a Thunderbird number in each Emergency Square in the column marked 1st Try. You can, of course, choose the same Thunderbird to deal with more than one emergency

Enter as often as you like! You can have up to 7 tries on the entry form, provided you send one "ZOOM" wrapper for each of the first 6. Your seventh try is then free. Ask for extra entry forms where you buy your ZOOM space iced lollies. Then you have even more chances of winning! Send as many entries as you like, as long as they reach the competition address by Monday, 11th September, 1967 when the contest closes

Complete each entry form by adding your name, age and address. Then copy out the short sentence shown on your entry form(s) *as neatly as you can.*

Post your entry(ies)—with the correct number of "ZOOM" wrappers—in a sealed envelope correctly stamped, and addressed to:

'ACTION THUNDERBIRDS!' 18 20 St. Andrew Street, London, E.C.4. (COMP)

ENTRY FORM FOR 'ACTION THUNDERBIRDS!' ZOOM CONTEST

Thunderbird Rescues	1st Try	2nd Try	3rd Try	4th Try	5th Try	6th Try	7th Try FREE
A Emergency							
B Emergency							
C Emergency							
D Emergency							
E Emergency							
F Emergency							

Now copy neatly in space below 'Lyons Maid "Zoom" is super'.

Now neatly fill in this entry form and post it to:
'ACTION THUNDERBIRDS!' 18 20 St. Andrew Street, London E.C.4 (COMP)

Name . . . . . **Age**

ADDRESS . . . . .

. . . . . TCC

RULES

1 Boys and Girls living in the United Kingdom may enter providing they will be under 16 on 11th September 1967 the closing date for entries

2 Every entry examined and First Prize awarded to the ten competitors who, in the opinion of the judges, select the most suitable Thunderbird for each rescue All other prizes to next-best entries in order of merit Mothers or guardians of winners of 1st prizes will each receive £20-worth of home appliances

3 In the event of ties, judges will make awards to competitors whose writing or printing and general neatness of the copied sentence are judged best, full allowance being made for age

4 Boys and Girls enter on understanding that judges' decision in all contest matters is final and legally binding Correspondence not allowed

5 No limit to number of entries, but they must be made in INK or BALL-POINT and accompanied by correct number of ZOOM iced lolly wrappers. Entries must be posted to 'ACTION THUNDERBIRDS!' 18/20 St Andrew Street, London E C.4 (Comp.).

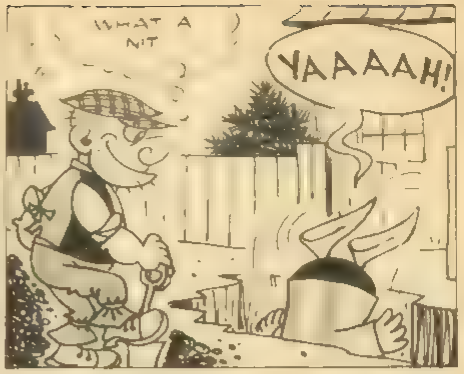
6 Every winner notified by post and complete list of names available for inspection for two weeks dating from 25th September, 1967 at Glacier House Hammersmith Grove London W 6

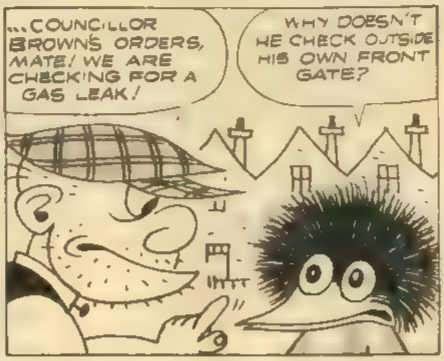
Extra entry forms available at shops or vans selling Lyons Maid 'Zoom' iced lollies or from 'ACTION THUNDERBIRDS!', 18/20 St Andrew Street, London E C.4 (Comp.) Please mark envelope 'Rules and Entry Form' and enclose a stamped, addressed envelope

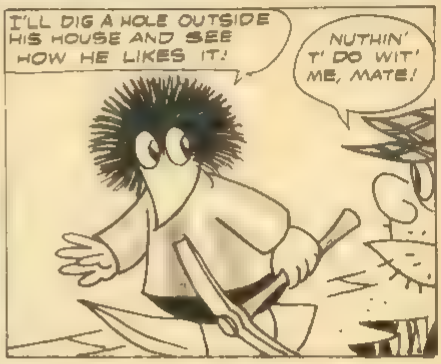
Lyons Maid

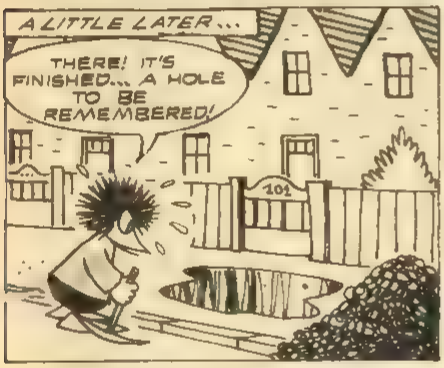
Tivvy

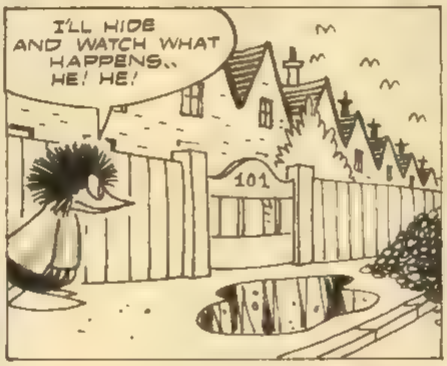
Tivvy created by Atelier Fauni Finland

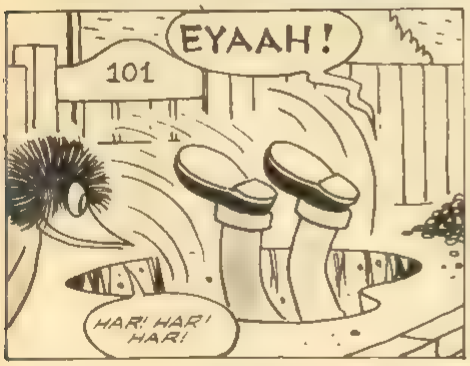


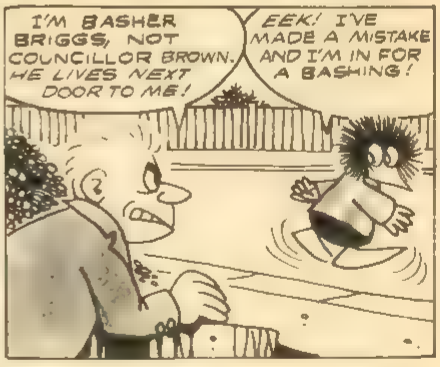


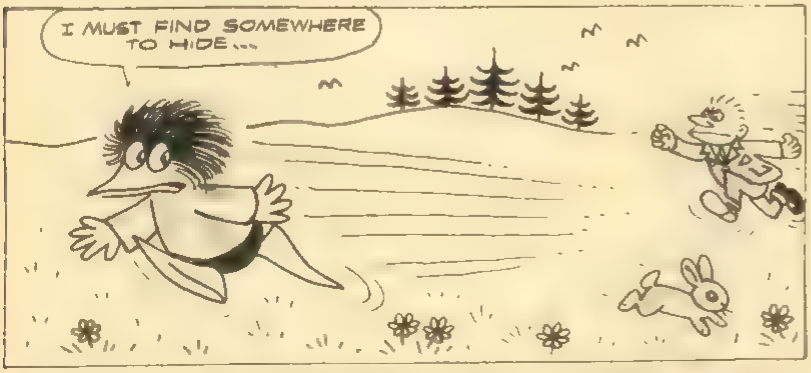


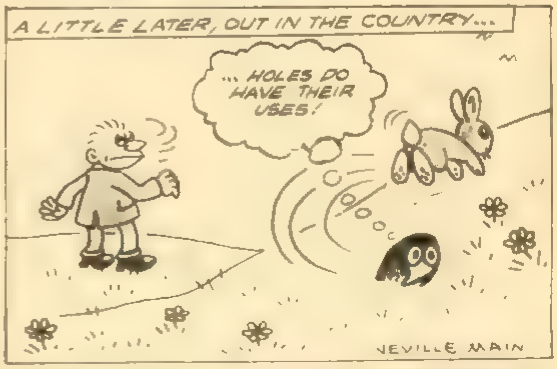












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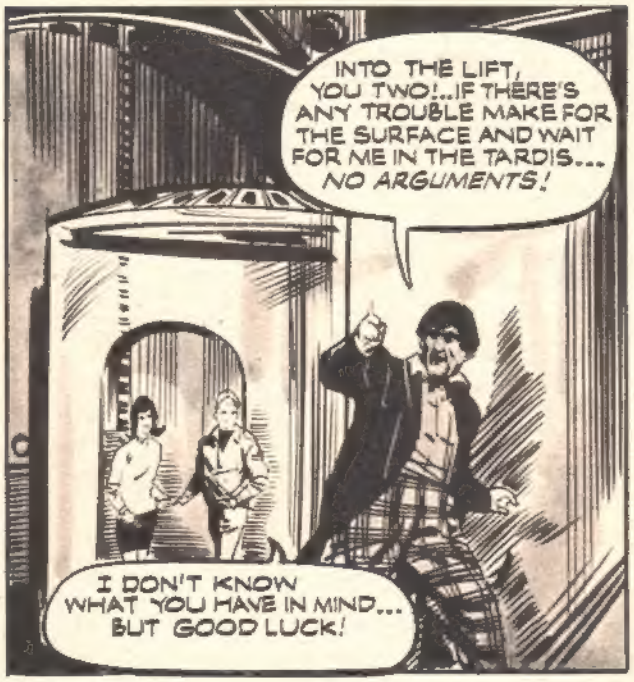
DOCTOR

A savage space war between Earth and Verno has resulted in the destruction of all Verno's robots. When Dr. Who arrives on the planet, he is horrified to find the Earth criminal, Arborge Quince, producing more robots underground . . .

EARTH IS CONVINCED THAT THERE IS NO LONGER A FIGHTING FORCE ON VERNO... THEY'LL BE TAKEN COMPLETELY BY SURPRISE WHEN ARBORGE LAUNCHES HIS NEW ROBOTS AGAINST THEM!


INTO THE LIFT, YOU TWO!..IF THERE'S ANY TROUBLE MAKE FOR THE SURFACE AND WAIT FOR ME IN THE TARDIS... NO ARGUMENTS!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE IN MIND... BUT GOOD LUCK!

THAT CONVEYOR BELT STRETCHES BACK INTO A TUNNEL WHICH RUNS INTO THIS CHAMBER... I'LL TAKE A LOOK AT WHERE THE ROBOT SHELLS START THEIR TRIP PAST ARBORGE!

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PRESS
THAT'S THE MACHINE WHICH STAMPS OUT THE ROBOT SHELLS ... IT'S TOO HEAVY TO DAMAGE... I'LL JUST HAVE TO FIGHT IT OUT WITH ARBORGE!
I'LL HIDE INSIDE THIS SHELL... IT'LL TAKE ME RIGHT PAST MR. QUINCE!
THE ONLY WAY TO STOP THIS PRODUCTION LINE IS TO GET RID OF OF THE INVENTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS EXISTENCE...
SO THIS IS TO BE ANOTHER OF YOUR CRIMES AGAINST EARTH, MR. QUINCE ?
...AN INTRUDER!
YOU WILL LEARN IT IS UNWISE TO INTERFERE WITH ONE SO POWERFUL AS ARBORGE QUINCE!
WE'LL SEE!
PREPARE FOR PUNISHMENT!
UH!
ON
OFF
COMPLETED ROBOTS!... AND THEY'RE READY FOR ACTION...
YOU MAY HAVE DISCOVERED MY PLOT TO RE-CREATE VERNO'S ROBOT FORCES...BUT EARTH WILL NOT KNOW OF THEIR EXISTENCE UNTIL IT IS ATTACKED!

Dr. Who is no match for the robot squad! See their duel next week!

TV COMIC presents... POPEYE
THOSE AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES WILL SOON HAVE THE WEEKLY LAUNDRY CLEAN!
LAUNDERETTE
THE CLOTHES WILL ONLY TAKE A FEW MINUTES...
MODERN METHODS IS MARVELLOUS, OLIVE!
A FEW MINUTES LATER...
THEY'RE SPOTLESS... BUT STILL SOAKING WET!
LOOK AT THAT STAIN ON YOUR UNIFORM, POPEYE!
THESE IS MY ONLY CLOTHES... THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO GET 'EM CLEAN!
DON'T WORRY, OLIVE! I'LL SOON BE CLEAN, THEN YOU CAN HANG ME OUT TO DRY WITH THE REST OF THE WET LAUNDRY! ARF! ARF!
HEH! HEH! NOW'S MY CHANCE TO FIX POPEYE ...HE'S INSIDE ONE OF THOSE MACHINES!
HAW! HAW! I'LL GIVE POPEYE A WHIRL HE WON'T FORGET!
PAY HERE
YIKE!
I THINK HE'S TAKING A TURN FOR THE WORSE!
SPINACH WILL SAVE ME!
THREE CHEERS FOR S-P-I-N-A-C-H!
HOLD YOUR ARMS OUT, BRUTUS...
Y-Y-YES, P-P-POPEYE! ANYTHING Y-YOU SAY...
HANG OUR WET WASHING OVER BRUTUS'S ARMS, OLIVE!
OKAY, POPEYE!
BRUTUS MAKES A GREAT SPIN-DRYER, OLIVE! ARF! ARF!
HE! HE!

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Jib Boom steals a car next week and drives Popeye up the wall!

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